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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), an extension of time of two month in the amount of \$400.00 is hereby requested to respond to the Final Office Action mailed August 1, 2002.

The requisite fee of \$400.00 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.17 is enclosed by check.

If any additional fees are due or any overpayment has been made, please charge our Deposit Account No. 08-2461 or credit our Deposit Account for such sum.

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